AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the Abstract paragraph with the following amended paragraph:

A data storage system including a primary data storage device and a backup data storage device stores data with enhanced performance. The primary data storage device has a primary data storage device memory for holding data, and the backup data storage device has a backup volatile memory, a backup non-volatile memory, and a processor. The backup storage device processor causes a copy of data provided to the primary data storage device to be provided to the backup data storage device volatile memory, and in the event of a power interruption moves the data from the backup volatile memory to the backup non-volatile memory. In such a manner, data stored at the backup data storage device is not lost in the event of a power interruption. The backup data storage device further includes a backup power source such as a capacitor, a battery, or any other suitable power source, and upon detection of a power interruption, switches to the backup power source and receives power from the backup power source while moving the data from the backup volatile memory to the backup non volatile memory.